

**CHAPTER 1037**  
**SCHOOL DROPOUT PROGRAMS**  
*S.F. 2168*

**AN ACT** relating to programs for returning dropouts and dropout prevention by a local school district.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. Section 442.51, Code Supplement 1983, is amended to read as follows:

**442.51 PROGRAMS FOR RETURNING DROPOUTS AND DROPOUT PREVENTION.** For the school year beginning July 1, 1984 and succeeding school years, boards of school districts, individually or jointly with boards of other school districts, requesting to use additional allowable growth for programs for returning dropouts and dropout prevention, may annually submit comprehensive program plans for the programs and budget costs, including requests for additional allowable growth for funding the programs, to the department of public instruction as provided in this chapter. In addition to the requirements for program plans listed in section 442.32, the program plans shall include:

1. A provision for dropout prevention and integration of dropouts into the educational program of the district.
2. A provision for identifying dropouts.
3. A program for returning dropouts.

Program plans for dropouts shall identify the parts of the plan that will be implemented first upon approval of the application. If a district is requesting to use additional allowable growth to finance the program, it shall not identify more than five percent of its budget enrollment for the budget year as returning dropouts and potential dropouts.

Sec. 2. Section 442.52, Code Supplement 1983, is amended to read as follows:

**442.52 DEFINED DEFINITIONS.**

1. "Returning dropouts" are resident pupils who have been enrolled in a public or nonpublic school in any of grades seven through twelve who withdrew from school for a reason other than transfer to another school or school district and who subsequently enrolled in public school in the district.

2. "Potential dropouts" are resident pupils who are enrolled in a public or nonpublic school in any of grades seven through twelve who demonstrate poor school adjustment and are expected to terminate school before graduation. Poor school adjustment is demonstrated by two or more of the following:

- a. High rate of absenteeism, truancy, or frequent tardiness.
- b. Limited or no extracurricular participation or lack of identification with school, including but not limited to, expressed feelings of not belonging.
- c. Poor grades, including but not limited to, failing in one or more school subjects or grade levels.
- d. Low achievement scores in reading or mathematics which reflect achievement at two years or more below grade level.

Sec. 3. Section 442.53, Code Supplement 1983, is amended to read as follows:

**442.53 PLANS FOR RETURNING DROPOUTS AND DROPOUT PREVENTION.** The board of directors of a school district requesting to use additional allowable growth for programs for returning dropouts and dropout prevention shall submit applications for approval for the programs to the department not later than November 1 preceding the fiscal year during which the program will be offered. The department shall review the program plans and shall prior to January 15 either grant approval for the program or return the request for approval with comments of the department included. An unapproved request for a program may be resubmitted with modifications to the department not later than February 1. Not later than February 15, the department shall notify the state comptroller and the school budget review committee of the names of the school districts for which the programs using additional allowable growth for funding have been approved and the approved budget of each program listed separately for each school district having an approved program.

Sec. 4. Section 442.54, Code Supplement 1983, is amended to read as follows:

**442.54 FUNDING FOR PROGRAMS FOR RETURNING DROPOUTS AND DROPOUT PREVENTION.** The budget of an approved program for returning dropouts and dropout prevention for a school district, after subtracting funds received from other sources for that purpose, shall be funded annually on a basis of one-fourth or more from the district cost of the school district and up to three-fourths by an increase in allowable growth as defined in section 442.7. Annually, the state comptroller shall establish a modified allowable growth for each such district equal to the difference between the approved budget for the program for returning dropouts and dropout prevention for that district and the sum of the amount funded from the district cost of the school district plus funds received from other sources.

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## CHAPTER 1038

### DISPENSING OF GENERICALLY EQUIVALENT DRUGS

S.F. 2175

**AN ACT** relating to dispensing of generically equivalent drugs.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. Section 155.37, subsection 2, paragraph c, Code Supplement 1983, is amended by striking the paragraph.

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